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46. The process of claim 32 wherein the step of normalizing the DNA precedes the amplifying step.
  47. The process of claim 32 which comprises both the steps of (i) amplifying the copy number of the DNA population so isolated and (ii) recovering a fraction of the isolated DNA having a desired characteristic.--

#### REMARKS

Claims 4-31 have been canceled without prejudice. New claims 32-47 have been added. No new matter has been added. Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of this amendment.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment. However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1355.

Respectfully submitted,

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